## Massachusetts Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Board Meeting Agenda Wednesday, November 20, 2019, 1:00 – 3:00 PM Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Springfield

NOTE: THIS AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED IN ADVANCE & DOES NOT NECESSARILY INCLUDE ALL MATTERS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN UP AT THIS MEETING.

- Welcome & Introductions
- Local/Regional Presentations & Discussion
  - o Update on Regional Projects MassDOT District 2
  - o Update on Regional Initiatives Pioneer Valley Planning Commission
    - Overview on the Connecticut River Walk and Bikeway
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Implementation
  - Discussion on changes to the RMV drivers manual
- Mass Central Rail Trail Feasibility Study
- Announcements and upcoming events
- Public Comments & Questions

Next Meeting: Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2020, State Transportation Building (STB), 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MassDOT Transportation Board Room, 2nd Floor.

Meetings notices are posted online on the MABPAB page at <a href="https://www.mass.gov/service-details/bicycle-and-pedestrian-advisory-board">https://www.mass.gov/service-details/bicycle-and-pedestrian-advisory-board</a>. If you have questions about a meeting date, please contact <a href="peter.sutton@state.ma.us">peter.sutton@state.ma.us</a> 857.368.8876



## The Massachusetts Department of Transportation

## FRAMINGHAM- NATICK- COCHITUATE RAIL TRAIL GROUND BREAKING AND BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN RELEASE

**WHO:** Transportation Secretary and CEO Stephanie Pollack, Highway Administrator Jonathan

Gulliver, Senate President Karen Spilka, state and local officials from Natick and

Framingham

WHEN: Friday, July 19th at 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: Intersection of General Greene Avenue and North Main Street, Natick

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71.3575119,18z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x89e3864a5a9e4687:0xa27833abfd8f0de5!8m2!3d42.2915656!4d-

71.3564658

On Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 p.m., Transportation Secretary and CEO Stephanie Pollack will join Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver, Senate President Karen Spilka and state and local officials from Natick and Framingham at a ground breaking event for the Framingham-Natick-Cochituate Rail Trail. MassDOT officials will also be releasing their Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans.

The \$12.4 million project involves the construction of 2.4 miles of rail trail and includes a grade separated crossing at Route 30, as well as replacement of the CSX Bridge over Route 9. A section of the trail also includes a spur line connecting to the Natick Mall. At the northerly end, a grade separated crossing of Route 30 will be constructed to provide the connection to the Framingham section of the CRT. At its southerly end, the trail connects to Route 27 along Willow Street, just north of the MBTA station.

MassDOT will also be releasing the final Bicycle Transportation Plan and Pedestrian Transportation Plan at the event. The final plans present action steps with the goal of reducing fatalities and serious injuries and increasing the percentage of trips made by walking and bicycling. The Cochituate Rail Trail is one example of how we will achieve these goals. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans define a vision for Massachusetts in which all people have a safe, comfortable and convenient option to walk or bike for every day trips.

A post-event reception sponsored by the Solomon Foundation will take place at the Natick Center for the Arts from 3 to 5 pm. The event is free and open to the public. Additional info below:

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